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China, Chaffee will remain and act as a collection agency. But he will also have to co-operate with the other generals in military operations if the United States is to have any standing in the international congress which will be called very soon; unless its intending members should first happen to fly at each other's threats. That there is danger of something of the sort the Shanghai incident shows. We regret to observe that it is not yet closed. England brought troops to land in the Shanghai incident shows. We regret to observe that it is not yet closed. England brought troops to land in the Shanghai incident shows colored people. England brought troops to land in the

point of diplomatic control. All the interested states, this one perhaps excepted,
now that their representatives are safe,
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If the United States should hold aloof, most naturally to be looked for.

People who are familiar with the tricks

and manners of the wily Mr. Hanna do not need to be told that one of the for mer has badly miscarried in connection at Indianapolis. The Republican manage. ment fully believed that by procuring a lot of hired men to meet in the same city at the same time, and to pose as a third ticket convention, it would be easy to switch the Liberty Congress anti-impecialists away from Bryan and get them committed to support some candidate who would be likely to draw more votes from the Democratic than from the Republican

The attempt has culminated in a ri diculous failure. Hanna's masqueraders have been hooted and hissed by the people they were employed to humbug, and the Liberty Congress has heartily and vigorously endorsed William J. Bryan, and called upon all Americans who love freedom and respect the Constitution to sup-

The platform adopted by this body of independent citizens is an excellent one. will give all Americans plenty to think about, and all persons connected with the trust and monopoly machine considerable to worry over. Some of its declarations are particularly good and timely. One

"We believe in the Constitution of the United States. It gives the President and Congress certain limited powers, and secures to every man within the jurisdiction of our Government certain essential rights. We deny that either the President or Congress can govern any person anywhere outside the Constitution,"

The last sentence of the above quotation will meet with universal approval among thinking citizens. The Republican assump tion, that the executive-one branch only of the Government-can exercise power and authority not conferred by the Con-strution, and establish and maintain personal government in American territories is in itself an attack upon our liberties and institutions. In denying their inheren rights to the people of Porto Rico-right the Administration has raised the issu of defiance to the fundamental law of the United States, and the election returns next November will show what the country

thinks about the matter. The platform demands the abolition of the press and cable censorship in the Philippines, so that the American people may learn what is going on in that satrapy. It remarks, very pointedly: "We are entitled to know which the President holds in trust for us Rest," on the Hanna parlor table.

mity in the future. What this Government will do in the changed circumstances remains to be seen.

If Mr. McKinley has determined that there shall be "no scuttling policy" in China, Chaffee will remain and act as a collection agency. But he will also have to the control of the change of the chan

colored people.

be that they will not develop beyond the Street between F and G, that the street arouse more popular enthusiasm. to sacrifice the nine or ten splendid popwe have repeatedly suggested, it would that particular place would better have hardly receive any support from the others in its efforts to secure the payment of

for the Radimistration, and, therefore, it is sentered the ring as an after-dinner speaker, we wonder if it would not be possible to arrange a match for him with the present champion, the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, who has successfully defended the scheme all along to nominate Woodruff for Governor—provided, of course, the "scuttling policy" in China is the one A go of about twenty rounds for scientific | masses wouldn't stand for Odellpoints in unquestionable antiquity, would draw an enormous house, the winner to take everything.

The Armor Plate Trust.

(From the Philadelphia North American.) (From the Philadelphia North American.)

The Go eriment has discovered, through the bids for supplying armor, that the armor plate trust is trying to work a big hold-up, which is exactly what everybody else knew long ago. The Midvale Steel Company's bid was \$4,422,000 below the trust's bid. The margin would pay for much missionary work 'an Washington and leave an enormous profit to the grust. The low bid was not accepted. All bids were rejected because the Midvale Company wanted too much time for delivery. The trust, unfortunately, will have another chance, now that it has seen the hand of its competitor.

Is Mr. Hay Hypnotized?

(Froom the New York World.)

After the Klondike gold discoveries Canada wanted a seaport on our Alaskan coast line. She trumped up and filed a baseless, a preposterous claim. Mr. Hay saw and said that Canada had no case whatever. Yet he proceeded to provide a base for the claim by drawing a provisional boundary line through American, territory. The only explanation that explains this and Sir Julian Pauncefote's other triumphs over American principles and rights is that that astate Englishman is applying hypnotism to diplomacy. (Froom the New York World.)

Sauce for the New England Gander. (From the Atlanta Constitution.)

When the white people in parts of the South which have been familiar measures to the Ne England States since their organization there a loud protest in that region and considerab talk of a purpose o cut down the representation of the Southern Stutes in Congress. In the venature of things the protest is foolish and it threat futile. Under the terms of such a la New England and the Middle West would lo more Congressmen than the South.

Necessity in the Philippines. Accessity in the Philippines.

(From the Springfield, Mass., Republican.)

There is no question about an "immediate" withdrawal from the Philippines. No one urges that. Having shot to pieces all form and semblance of a native Government, it will be necessary for us to remain until a new native Government can be established. But an immediate declaration from the American people that independence shall be the Filipino possession as soon as a native Government has been established to receive it will stop this reign of blood and anarchy, and that is the first and paramount consideration.

How About American Commerce:

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

With the relief of Americans in China the United States will have no further interest in Chinese affairs, except its desire to act as peacemaker in obtaining a just settlement of such claims for damages as may have arisen from the revolt of the Boxers. The incident may be closal within a week, save for the diplomatic agoliations, if the Chinese Government; should be amenable to reason; otherwise it may develop into a force. How About American Commerce? t war, the outcome of which no man can fore

POLITICAL NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Fooling the Hannaites .- That the action of the Anti-Imperialist Convention at Indianapolis was disappointing to the Hannaites is true in a double sense. It the truth, and we insist that the powers goes without saying, of course, that the the whole, we fancy that the record of the Republicans in general, but there is not have a conspicuous place along with the family Bible and Baxter's "Saints McKinley, and the campaign managers. Movement Formula and the campaign managers. Rest," on the Haman parior table.

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Confusion in New York .- If David city. All the consuls but the British and The South African tragedy drags its Bennett Hill has lost all his cunning, if American protested. France said she weary way to an indeterminate end. Steyn, Richard Croker and Hugh McLaughlin would land troops also, if England did. the ones popular and respected President have formed a pact, and if that pact can Then the British transports steamed north under orders from London. But to-day we hear that a fast torpedo boat has through Kitchener's fingers again and is control the vote of Kings county—then it appears evident that the Hon. Bird S. Coler will not be the Democratic nominee been sent to overtake and recall them, and off to join Botha. The latter is fortifying for Governor of New York. This plainly is been sent to overtake and recall them, and probably the soldiers will be disembarked after all. That act may possibly be the beginning of trouble, although we hope not. It does not seem just for Russia to complain since the Czar's ensign has been but is overruled by Botha and De Wet, and sitions by a very narrow margin. Three not. It does not seem just for Russia to complain since the Czar's ensign has been raised over Niuchwang, indicating, as most people in Europe seem to think, that the future Russian sphere of influence is to include pretty much all of Northern China. The paramountcy of Great Britain in the Yangtze Valley, if complete and accomplished, would hardly be more than an offset to the practical possession by Russia of Nluchwang, Manchuria, the upper half of Pe-chi-li Province, and, very likely, the Shing-king Peninsula, or most of it.

Differences are certain to arise between the powers before any final, or even temporary, settlement of the Chinese question can be reached; but it may very well be that they will not develop beyond the point of diplomatic control. All the in-

cloud in New York." The mighty Mr. Platt lars in question. We are still uncon- has acknowledged at last that "Woodruff vinced. The widening of Fifth Street at is not an improbability," which would seem to indicate that if the boss has abanthe improvement at such a cost now. Technically speaking, the excuse disposes will turn to Woodruff as second choice. without the authority of our only warmaking power, would be highly dangerous
to the Administration, and, therefore, if
future punitive operations were contem-Several weeks before the Republican Na-Several weeks before the Republican National Convention met at Philadelphia The Times exploited this scheme and has never lost faith in its early surmise. Events are rapidly conspiring to show that the well-laid scheme to boost Woodruff into the Governship is working satisfactorily to its promoters. Mr. Hanna and the national managers are opposed to Woodruff, but Mr. Platt is not controlling his machine or shaping his purposes to suit the wishes of the national managers. The Hannalte opposition to Woodruff is due mainly to the fact that the Root-Bliss crowd in New York would not get control of the labby archiberts. of the lobby at Albany if he should be elected Governor. While it is generally conceded that Woodruff is not the greatest statesman of his time, yet it is admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York a better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as better and more honest admitted that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he would give the people of New York as he was a manufactured that he was a manufacture ministration as Governor than could be hoped for if one of the numerous bost of greedy money-grubbers among both fac-tions of the Republicans should be elected. Woodruff has already accumulated a large fortune by his own exertions, has never been accused of converting his political opportunities into cash, and seems to have a sincere desire to make an honorable name for himself in politics.

ENROLLMENT OF DEMOCRATS. Remarkable Growth in the Member-

ship of Political Clubs. NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-The Secretary of the National Association of Democratic Clubs reports that the total membership

of the association has already reached the remarkable figures of 2,184,226. Since the headquarters at Thirty-seventh Street and Broadway has been opened 102,578 names have been added to the roll, a remarkable showing in less than four

weeks. This membership represents 300 newly organized clubs. During the last four days club organiza-tions have been reported at the rate of thirty-five a day, and within the next six weeks it is expected that the membership of the association will aggregate 4,000,000, or almost two-thirds of the total Demoote cast four years ago for the pa-

tional ticket. The president of the association hopes that on election day at least 85 per cent of the voting semocrats of the country will

THE COMMERCE OF CUBA. Report of the British Consul Shows an Excess of Imports. The commerce of Cuba in 1899 is described by the British Consul at Havana in a report which has just reached the ringing endorsement given Mr. Bryan Treasury Bureau of Statistics. It specially shall be not used to suppress it. On by the Anti-Imperialists is disappointing to calls attention to the fact that the im ports of 1899 largely exceed the value of proceedings at the Liberty Congress will excellent reason for asserting that it was the exports, and that more than 50 per cent of these imports were food products, much of which might have been produced The McKinley managers thought they had shrewdly matured a plan to capture the tionately less investment of capital than

largely on foreign countries for its food supply. The limits of this report do not permit of examining at length the causes which have led to this state of things; it is sufficient to point out its existence and he important bearing it has on its foreign

"The value of the food products, includported into Havana in 1899 amounts to over £5,000,000, or 51 per cent of the total imports into that port, without taking into to account the undervaluation to which I have called attention in the paragraph on imports and exports. If the same proportion be applied to the total imports into ion be applied to the total imports inthe whole island, we find that £6.740,00effected, except perhaps in quality, and that only to a limited extent. If we deduct that only to a number extent. I we deduct this amount from the value of the exports we find a surplus of only £2,272,000 with which to provide for clothing and all the other necessities of a country containing a population of 1,500,000, and without any

must raise more articles for export, or it must raise more food products at home and import less from abroad. The most practical solution is undoubtedly the lat-ter, as far less capital is required for cul-livating maize, beans, rice, and vegetaoles than for producing sugar, which has nitherto been considered as the staple ex

"Whatever solution may be ultimately found, there can be no doubt that the island will in the immediate future have pass through a period of poverty, dur ing which the importations will fall con-siderably below last year's figures, and will be restricted to absolute necessities of life and to cheaper grades of other com-

"Return showing the imports and exports of merchandlese into and from the Island of Cuba according to ports of entry in the year 1859.

	Value of	
Principal of the Control of the Cont	Imports.	Exports.
Havana	£9,791,021	£5,126,678
Cienfuegos	1,035,505	1.029.816
Santiago de Cuba	758.000	121 827
Malanzas	998.971	745,003
Cardenas	259,212	757,850
Manzanillo	176,504	117,375
Gibara	163.395	188,734
Sagen la Grande	158.648	371,784
Caibarien	146,176	290.305
Nuevitas	145,025	32,010
Guantanamo	112,540	184,573
Baracoa	27,511	42,301
Trinidad	26,992	46.619
Tunas de Zaza	16.882	6,723
Hatabano	3.246	
Santa Cruz	2.030	12,785
Total	13,221,617	9,016,893

FIREMAN'S BODY FOUND.

Buried Under a Tender During a Railway Collision. BALTIMORE, Aug. 17 .- The body of J. Arthur Platt, the fireman who was killed Monday night in the collision of two Baltimore and Ohio Railroad trains viaduct bridge which spans Gwynn's Falls in Southwest Baltimore, was found yesterday afternoon by Assistant Trainmaste Charles L. Cole, who has been directing the operations of the wrecking crew. It was in the soft muck beneath the up truned tender, which the men succeeded in partly pulling out of the stream. The body was much swollen, the head was al-most severed and the abdomen was crush-ed. The dead fireman's clothing had been ed. The dead fireman's clothing had been burned. He had evidently stuck to his post, for he was found near the platform of the tender. The body was removed in the Southwestern ambulance to the morgue. Platt boarded at 1605 Light Street. His father is said to reside in Germantown, Pa., and his mother somewhere in New York State.

York State.

A force of men worked all day vesterday trying to move the big Baldwin loco-motive, which had been turned over and placed on its trucks on Wednesday. Hydraulic jacks were used to move the 184. draulic jacks were used to move the 184,600 pounds of iron and steel. The locomotive was gradually forced around and
today will probably be gotten on the eemporary track and hauled up the hillsfie to
another temporary track, along which it
can be hauled to the surface and taken to
the company's shops for repairs.

Reilroad officials say the damage to the

ocomotive is not as great as they expect-ed. The tender will be gotten on the track in the same manner as the locomo-tive, and afterward the men will devote heir energies toward getting the gondola ar out of the stream and on the track. It car out of the stream and on the track, will probably take several days more fore the wreck is entirely cleared aw The coping of the stone bridge still she the effects of the collision, and it will quire some time to make the repairs.

A FATHER'S ALLEGED CRUELTY Man Charged With Causing the

Death of Four Children. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 17.-News has been received here of the arrest in Nash county, N. C., of George Griffin and his third wife, for causing the death of Grif-

It is alleged that were and were allowed to die from stativation and lack of attention. One of them, it is said, escaped an managed to reach its father, who was at work in the field, but was whipped by him and died on reaching the house

A Correction.

(From Puck.)

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"Chicago is a cult unto herself."

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